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Three Students on TV Quiz Face Competing Schools



Art James, "It's Academic" moderator, flanks Robert Braun, David Gorelick, and Stuart Silverberg. Mrs. Mary Bernstein, adviser to Arista, looks on.

Represented by Captain David Gorelick, 71B, Robert Braun, 8A, and Stuart Silverberg, 71A, Tilden High School competed against Bayside High School and the High School of Art and Design on the high school version of "College Bowl," "It's Academic," which was taped Saturday, October 5, at the NBC studios. The program will be shown Nov. 10. The final score will be announced on the evening of the showing. Each correct answer receives a certain number of points. "It's Academic" may be seen every Sunday evening on NBC from 6:30-7:00 P.M.

Alternates Picked

On "It's Academic," three high schools from the New York metropolitan area compete in the fields of general knowledge and academic subjects. The objective is to compile the highest score and to win for the school the fifty-four volume *Great Books of the Western World*. The other two schools receive *Gateway to the World*.

Three alternates were chosen in case one of the regulars was unable to appear. They were Ira Cohen, 7M, Francine Geraci, 7K, and Stanley Nissen, 7G.

Gorelick Heads Group

Robert Braun is the president of the Tilden Forum, news editor of *Tilden Topics*, and the press representative of the Drama Guild. He was a member of the Arista softball team,

Awards Highlight June Graduation

Commencement exercises for the 1052 Tilden graduates were held June 26, 1963 at 8:00 P.M., in the Brooklyn Technical High School auditorium.

The program began with the professional march of the graduates, followed by the salute to the flag, the singing of "The Star-Spangled Banner" and "America." Paula Sattlow, president of the senior class, then delivered the address of welcome and presented the class gift to Mr. Abraham Margolies.

After several band selections composed by George Gershwin, Daniel Cohen gave the valedictory address. This was followed by Mr. Margolies' address about the significance of a high school education and the opportunity to attend a college.

Recipients of honors were announced by Miss Rebecca F. Grand, Administrative Assistant, and Mr. Saul Wolpert. Mr. Benjamin T. Diamond, adviser to the Senior class, presented the candidates for diplomas and Mr. Margolies conferred them. The loyalty pledge, led by Paula Sattlow, "Hail Tilden High" and the recessional march concluded the program.

Daniel Cohen, Sally Margolies and Paula Sattlow were the June graduates with the most outstanding records in scholarship, character and service.

the Audio-Visual Squad, and the Math Team.

David Gorelick, the team captain by virtue of a drawing of lots, is the vice-president of the Tilden Forum, a member of the Math Team, and a reporter on *Tilden Topics*.

He is also participating in the Westinghouse Science Talent Search. This fall, David will also take part in the Tilden Current Events Contest.

Fifteen Originally Chosen

Stuart Silverberg is a member of the Tilden Forum and a member of the Math Team. He is a participant in the Westinghouse Science Talent Search. Last term, Stuart was an originator and member of the Radio Club.

Fifteen students, all members of Arista, were originally nominated for "It's Academic." Those who were in the running before the final selection was made were Andrew Auerbach, Stuart Brink, Richard Cherlin, David Cohen, Susan Gitlin, Calvin Konner, Patricia Leiman, Martin Rothschild, and Marilyn Schwartz.

Senior Class Elects Fall Term Officers

Barbara Zeitlin and Phyllis Hyman were chosen president and vice-president of the senior class, respectively, at elections held Thursday, September 26. Elected secretary was Barbara Strienfeld, while Janice Klazkin gained the position of treasurer.

Officers in Many Activities

Barbara Zeitlin, 8E, is a member of Arista. She is also a participant in Leaders' Club and the bowling league. Her average is 87%. Barbara's opponents were Stephanie Wortman, 8F, Marilyn Flakowitz, 8D, and Mark Stern, 8F.

The candidate opposing Phyllis Hyman was Michael Baron, 8C. Phyllis of official class 8A has an 87% average. She was secretary of Sophomore and Junior Sings, and worked for the Library, Art and Guidance Departments. She is president of her 8th term class, is on the Yearbook staff, and is a member of the Executive Board.

Secretary and Treasurer Unopposed

Barbara Strienfeld, 8C, who ran unopposed for the position of secretary, has maintained an average of 85%. She is a member of the Drama Guild, a participant in Sing and president of her official class. Barbara has been secretary to various teachers and took part in last year's Spring play.

Also running unopposed was Janice Klazkin for senior class treasurer. Janice is a member of Arista, having an average of 91%. She is a participant in Sing, the Mixed Chorus and Cantata. Being a member of the Library Squad is also among her many activities.

The senior faculty adviser is Mr. Benjamin Diamond.

Topics Editors Change for Fall

New editorial positions on *Tilden Topics* for the fall 1963 term are as follows:

Susan Gitlin and Sam Roberts have the top positions of Editors-in-Chief. Barbara Goldstein has been chosen as Managing Editor.

News Editors for this term are Robert Braun and Michael Seder. The new Feature Editors are Lynne Feinstein and Susan Parker, and Steve Flax and Paul Nussbaum are now Sports Editors.

The job of Art Editor is being taken by Steve Levine, and in charge of circulation is Barry Hartman. Carol Feinstein and Jeffrey Fox are now Photography Editors.

Polyglot and Caravan Resume Publication

Polyglot and *Caravan*, Tilden's two student magazines, are resuming publication for the new school year. Both will appear in late May or early June of 1964.

Polyglot, the foreign language magazine, is put out by the Language Department and costs 10¢. It welcomes stories and poems in French, Spanish, or Hebrew. Interested students should contact editor-in-chief Serge Lecomte of official class 8H. Two years ago, *Polyglot* won a second place certificate in Columbia Scholastic Press Association competition.

Caravan, the literary-art magazine, is published by the English Dept. and distributed free to all Tildenites. Editor-in-chief Francine Geraci welcomes contributions of poetry, prose, photography and other art work. Interested students should get in touch with Mr. Everett Kerner in room 211. *Caravan* also won a second place award in the Columbia Scholastic Press Association competition.

Deutsch, Ellman, To Lead Guild In Producing Theatrical Works

With the opening of the new term, the Tilden Drama Guild, under the direction of Mr. Joel Dick, is looking forward to its third season.

New officers of the Drama Guild elected last June to serve until June, 1964, are Charles Deutsch, President; Robert Ellman, Vice-President; Beverly Sherman, Secretary; and Patti Leiman, Treasurer.

Last June, the new officers, along with the old officers, met to choose the new committee chairmen. They are Michael Tenenbaum, Props; Rosalie Marder and Michael Goldberg, Publicity; Beverly Hymowitz and Kenny Kane, Costumes; Marsha Berkowitz and Ilona Spruchman, Make-up; Ellen Fisch, Stagecrew; Ethel Wolfovitz, Spotlight; Wendy Wurtzel and Gail Schneider, Script; Robert Braun, Press Representative; Fran Commer, Secretary to Committees and Lynne Harris, Official Typist.

The Drama Guild affords opportunities to students to gain experi-

New Teachers and Courses Mark Current School Year Planned Renovation Postponed; Juniors on Late Session

With the beginning of the 1963-64 school year, much reorganization has taken place in Tilden. Although the student population has decreased since last September, many new teachers have been added to the faculty, and the anticipated renovation has been postponed.

Plans on the renovation, now completed by the contractors, have been sent to the Board of Estimate. Previously scheduled to start in September, the modernization will probably begin by December at the latest. However, as was announced in June, the junior class was programmed on both early and late session and it will continue to be programmed in this way next term.

Renovation Contracts Not Signed Yet

Those juniors who are on late session this term will be on early session in the spring term, and vice versa. In splitting up the junior class into the now-equalized early and late sessions, the intent was to relieve the strain on the building during the renovation.

The work was originally scheduled to begin when this term started, but did not because the contracts had not yet been settled with the city administration.

Cafeteria, Stage To Be Brought Up To Date

When renovation does begin, the school will acquire a public address system, fluorescent lighting, new stage facilities in the auditorium, a modernized cafeteria, new office machines, and improved fixtures for the Home Economics, Biology, and Physical Science departments.

Two of the results of the commencement of the fall term is an influx of twenty-three new faculty members, and the appointment of a new de-

Mr. Philip Lefton New Dean

Mr. Philip Lefton, formerly of the Social Studies Department, is assuming the duties of morning dean for boys. This position was formerly held by Mr. Robert Gerstein, who now returns to the Math Department.

Mrs. Doris Bushwick is a new guidance counselor, replacing Mr. Sam Rothstein, who has left the school. Mrs. Bushwick will be the counselor for those students who were counseled by Mr. Rothstein.

New Chairman for Language Dept.

Replacing Mr. Thomas DeLellis,

acting chairman of the Foreign Language Department, is Mr. George Snow, formerly of Franklin K. Lane High School. Welcomed back to this department were Mrs. Bilhab Klein, and Mr. Jack Rogovin, who have just returned from sabbatical leaves of one term.

Both science departments, biological and physical, have grown with the additions of Mrs. Gladys Burns in biology, and Mr. Marshall Polan and Mr. Gursell Ruderman, who will instruct in the field of chemistry. Mrs. McCarthy has become a new laboratory assistant.

Largest Addition to English Dept.

The English Department, under the chairmanship of Mr. Martin Blum, has the distinction of acquiring the largest number of new teachers. Entering into this department are Mr. John Driscoll, Mrs. Lillian Elkin, Mrs. Elaine Evans, Miss Carol Laub, Mrs. Fannie Silverman, and Mr. Mel Stein.

Joining the ranks of the Social Studies Department are Mr. Marc Kaplan, Mrs. Rosemarie Kimpton,

For further information on any of the subjects discussed in this article, please consult the Tilden Guide or a guidance counselor.

Mr. Edward Liebes, and Mr. Bennett Strudler.

Mr. Stanley Greenblum is the only new member of the Math Department. As a former student of Tilden, he was sports editor of *Tilden Topics*. In addition, Mr. Greenblum was sports editor of the Senior Yearbook.

In the fields of commercial studies, Mr. Seymour Gentwerger has become part of the staff of the Secretarial Studies Department. The Accounting Department receives as its new members Mr. Arthur Zwikel and Mr. Paul Cohen, who has just returned from a long absence.

News Courses Available
The Health Education departments have swelled their ranks as Mr. Nicholas Farkouh, boys' gym instructor, and Miss Judy Kornfeld, girls' physical training teacher, are new members.

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DRAMA GUILD OFFICERS, l. to r.: Beverly Sherman, Robert Ellman, Charles Deutsch, and Patti Leiman.

In November, the Drama Guild presents its one-act play. Although the play has not been chosen definitely, Mr. Dick is considering *The Man in the Bowler Hat* by A. A. Milne and *The Apollo Bellac* by Jean Giraudoux. In May, the Drama Guild will put on its annual three-act play. Under consideration are *George Washington Slept Here* and *Arsenic and Old Lace*. The former is about a family who buys an old broken down house that George Washington slept in, while the latter concerns two old ladies who poison old men to put them out of their misery.

From the Principal:

Good Sportsmanship Emphasized

My dear Students:

By the time you read this first issue of Tilden Topics, your new school year will have been well launched. I hope you will make this a banner one from the point of view of scholarship and social development.

As for scholarship, we at Tilden have always emphasized the fact that this is your major reason for coming to school. No doubt, you have heard about the President's "return to school" policy for drop-outs. This is merely official recognition that in our technological age, he who is without education is without the wherewithal to make either a living or a life for himself. However, since I have so often written and spoken to you on this theme, my present message will deal with the second aspect of your high school education, namely, your social development and its corollary, good sportsmanship.

As you know, we have over 100 different extracurricular activities at Tilden. Surely, there is one to suit your individual tastes or talents. Joining a club, a squad, a musical organization, or a journalistic enterprise, is a way of promoting your mental and social development. Besides being participants in our extracurricular program, many of you, particularly during this season of the year, will be called upon to act as spectators at our football games. For some reason, no other high school sport brings out so many rooters as does football. Because of the competitive nature of the sport, and because emotions sometimes run very high during a game, we forget at times to uphold a decent code of sportsmanship. Therefore, may I remind you of the basic rules of how a Tildenite should conduct himself at an interscholastic athletic contest.

1. Remember that every such contest is a competition between fellow students of rival schools—not enemy schools.
2. Refrain from booing or using indecent language or throwing things around the stands or field.
3. Reward excellent play and achievement with enthusiastic and appropriate applause.
4. Recognize that the rival team and its rooters must have equal opportunities for cheers and applause.
5. Root hard for your team but be a good sport, win or lose.
6. Avoid getting into any fracas with students of the opposing team, either at the stands or in the streets adjoining the field.

I am confident that your normally well-developed sense of fairness and sportsmanship will prevail at these athletic contests, as they do in everyday classroom situations. As each game takes place, we expect you to rise to the occasion and do yourself and Tilden proud.

Cordially yours,
Abraham Margolies,
Principal

Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

It is dismaying and shocking to view the apathy of Tilden Seniors toward senior class activities. This shows a tremendous lack of school spirit on their part.

This uninterest can be best exemplified by the lack of candidates for Senior Office. From a class of 361 January graduates, only eight were candidates for office.

The now frequent omission of a Senior Prom stems from the same lack of interest. It seems that the only senior activity that receives a decent quota of participation is Senior Sing.

It is important for the future senior classes of Tilden High School to realize the importance of school participation and do something about it.

Marilyn Schwartz, 7H

Extra!

All students interested in joining the staff of *Tilden Topics* are invited to attend the first meeting of the Cub Class, Wednesday, October 30th, during the A.M. long official period in room 118.

This term's Cub Class will be taught by the Editors-in-Chief, Susan Gitlin and Sam Roberts. It will be conducted once a week for one term. Service credit will be given.

**Topics On The Town**

By Susan Parker

William Golding's book, *Lord of the Flies*, telling of the breakdown of false morals in a "free society," has been made into an interesting, provocative, stimulating motion picture. Although the entire cast is made up of young English neophytes, their acting talent is equal to that of an inveterate performer. Directed by Peter Brook, this picture thrills, amazes, horrifies, and preaches to a world filled with examples of human savagery.

In the novel, Golding shows an uncanny insight into the psychology of the human being. He maintains that in a society lacking police and regulatory guards, morality, order and democracy are lost. In their place, brute force, demagoguery and terror take over. The conflict between Church and State, idealism and materialism, violence and constructive argumentation is explored to provide material for intellectual thought. The role of the "hunter" in relationship to the role of the "leader" in our society is another of the many controversies with which we are presented.

Filmed entirely in the Caribbean, *Lord of the Flies* tells of twenty-three young school boys who are evacuated in a future nuclear war, and plane-wrecked on an uninhabited island. Seemingly calm, collected and organized at first, the boys soon separate into two opposing factions, and move closer and closer towards a society which resembles one of primitive man. The leadership of Ralph, holder of the symbolic conch, is challenged, and the so-called "civilized" children become murdering savages.

Lord of the Flies is a wonderful, frightening film production, expertly directed and acted. It presents a fresh, startling new viewpoint as to the "why" of our troubled world.

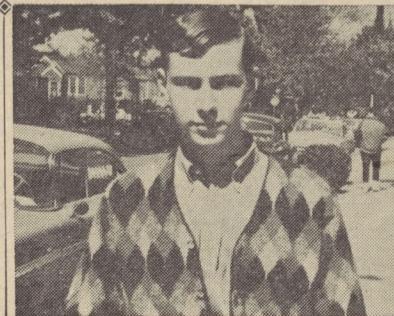
This may well prove to be one of the best pictures of the year, as well as one of the most captivating.

Janet Haynes

One Grand Decision Faces Jr.

"I looked, bent down and couldn't believe it at first. It was blowing around, so I gathered it up and went to school. At first, I thought it was counterfeit, then I realized that it was real. It looked like toy money because I had never seen a lot of twenty-dollar bills before."

This statement was made by Alan Kahane, 15-year-old junior at Tilden High. One morning, while on his way to school from 827 East 40th Street where he lives, Alan spotted a five-hundred-dollar check, two bank



Alan Kahane

School officials immediately began a search for Mrs. Jennie Olivio, owner of the money, and reached her by telephone when she reached home. Mrs. Olivio had withdrawn the money to buy furniture for her recently married daughter. She said she noticed

the loss while walking home, and had given up all hope of ever recovering the money.

Seeming very calm and modest, Alan said that his parents were very surprised and proud when they heard the news, but that none of his friends in

school would believe his story until they read it in many of the city's daily papers.

Proud authorities at Tilden said a personal entry would be made on Alan's permanent school record in recognition of his honesty and good citizenship. The reward was "Pretty good for an honest day's work."

A week later, at Far Rockaway Beach, the boys saw a picture of their drum in a newspaper. They went to the Transit Authority's Lost and Found Department where it was returned to them.

When they reclaimed the drum, they were greeted by eight newspapermen and a television interviewer.

Tom Meany, a public relations man for the Mets, telephoned to tell the boys that they had been given season passes (not bad . . . for losing a drum). On August 18th, drum and all, they went to a game and met Casey Stengel and the Mets. Guess what—the Mets lost!

Lynne Feinstein
Anna Stern**Student Diagnoses Ills; Fusionobia & Majormania**

"But, Mr. Thomas, please, I'm doing the best I can!" This is the plaintive cry of the daffy-downed Delaney doodler, commonly caught in a crevasse of coded cross-questioning.

Control yourself. Sure you have a headache (or possibly an urge to eliminate those Lilliputian postal cards, requiring positively all pertinent personal privacies). You're tense, irritable, upset. Who wouldn't be, attempting to sandwich a sixteen-letter appellation in between the previous term's mark and an official teacher?

But don't take it out on him. Think of the other 4,999 students, and their dilemmas, such as "Mr. Harriet Smith, is your mother's name really Irving?" and "John, are you absolutely sure you live in the Biology Preparation Lab?" Possibly heard is "Mary, I believe you've made a mistake . . . I don't think you were born on October 6, 1963."

Nearly everyone, within his frustrating terms at Tilden, has experienced a magnanimous multitude of changes of program (or would it be changes of mind?) It's no wonder the shocked students develop fusionphobia and chemistry complexes. There is also evidence of sibling rivalry (that is, did your twin brother's registration card receive four sign-outs and one sign-in, or three sign-outs and five sign-ins, like yours?) and persecution complex (they gave your closest companion early session, while your home room stays until 4:30).

The most rampant plagues, perhaps, are majormania and minormania, the latter's symptoms being the less drastically devastating. Majormania closely resembles vitamin deficiency, occurring often in students without a lunch period.

The victims of this psychological syndrome are attacked by a craving to accumulate all thirty-four major credits during one term, sacrificing facilities of relaxation (for instance, the cafeteria). Minormania has the opposite effect, causing temporary lapse of memory (did the pupil take six or seven terms of required music) and amnesia (is the locker number 1482 or 1842?).

The most recent result of reprogramming is the extra chemistry laboratory period so generously given to those who need it (and to those who don't need it, too!) And for those fortunate few who are deprived of lunch for this, it should be duly appreciated—students without chem lab will never have the opportunity to eat behind the warmth of a fin-tipped Bunsen burner—nor will they delight in the delicious antiseptic apple turnovers, fluorinated tuna fish, and peanut butter sandwiches (with chlorinated ketchup, of course).

As the school closes, until morning, the student, although not very anxious for another ordeal, plods homeward, elated over his new purchase: a beautiful blue oak-tag elevator pass, which cost only seventy-five cents. He commences to mull over its many uses, and ruminates that he's glad he also reserved a season's ticket for the swimming pool.

He has made marked progress in conquering his inferiority complex, by demonstrating to his classmates that he, too, will no longer bring lunch from home. His rejoicing revelation is, "Look, Maw, no program changes!"

Janet Haynes

Mad Metphile Mess Drums Up Supporters

Lto R.: Leo Najman, Peter Turer, Charles Teitelbaum, and Arnold Schwartz pose with their prize possession.

Drumming up support for the Mets is a futile task at best. Sometimes it is so disillusioning that it causes the enthusiasts to lose their spirit. Never before, however, have the fans been so let down as to lose a 28" x 16 1/2" base drum.

The four students who accomplished this feat are Charles Teitelbaum, 8E, Arnold Schwartz, 5H, Leo Najman, 5R, and Peter Turer, K51. They brought the drum with "Let's Go Mets" emblazoned in black on the side, to the July 11th New York Met-Los Angeles Dodger game. Imagine the joyous feelings of the people sitting in the \$2.50 reserved seat section behind home plate when they were serenaded by the drum and Peter's bugle. There was so much elation that the boys were almost carried out of the stadium (and not on people's shoulders either). Despite the valiant efforts of these boys, the Mets lost (so what else is new?).

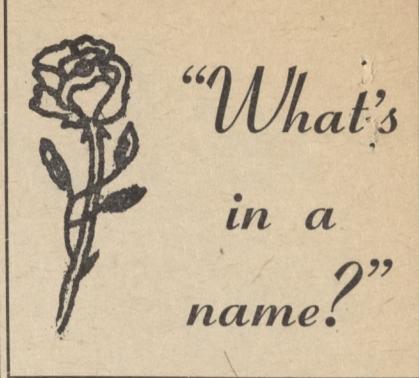
In the post-game rush, Charles, Peter and Leo took one train, the wrong one, leaving Arnold at the station with the drum. They were reunited at the next stop and made a frantic dash for their train. While they were sitting inside, the boys asked Arnold, "Where's the drum?"

The drum? I thought you had it!

"Oh no! We thought you had it." They would have gone back for it but it was 1:30 A.M. and they were in mid-town Manhattan by that time.

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By Susan Gitlin

Every term, someone on *Topics* is trapped into writing a column for the feature page. Sandy Rabinowitz, the former Editor Emeritus, rationalized that she was very gullible for undertaking the task. I'm too much of a realist for that; I know I'm just stupid.

After the initial shock wore off, it was evident that I would have to decide upon a name for the column. I pondered this point for quite a while and, being my usual creative self, came up with nothing. It was at this time that I decided to ask my "talented" friends for help. I was amazed at the ideas they hit upon. Some of the better responses were: "Gee, Sue, I don't know," "Susan Speaks," "Giggling Gitlin," and "Goofus Gitlin." Need I explain why I rejected each?

Something had to be done; I had to have a name for my column! I decided the obvious solution was to plagiarize. Book titles seemed an excellent place to start. I glanced over my limited book collection. The most exciting book titles to be found were: *Basal Metabolism in Health and Disease*, *Existential Psychoanalysis* and *Reviewing American History*. Somehow, none of them sounded quite right.

Even the titles of my record albums (both of them) did not sound right. There was a big choice between *Joan Baez Vol. I*, or *Joan Baez in Concert*.

There's an old saying: "When in doubt go to Barlett's." (To be very truthful, it's not that old. I made it up last week.) So, to the book of quotations I went. One quote mentioned was: "When black-eyed Susan came aboard." I suggested it to my co-editor as a possibility. He was very polite about the whole thing. He just replied: "Well, uh, well . . ."

So, do not be surprised if you find a different title for this column in the next issue. In fact, don't even be surprised if you don't see a title. As one universally-read sage so aptly put it: "What's in a name? That which we call a rose by any other name would smell as sweet . . ."

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ON THE SIDELINES

with
Steve Flax
and
Paul Nussbaum



Another football season became a reality as the *Blue Devils* tangled with their traditional rival, Erasmus Hall High School, October 5. It is the sincere hope of these writers that 1963 will become the fifth consecutive winning year for coaches Bernie Mars and Murray Adler.

However, if the team is to enjoy another successful season, the players and coaches must be able to fill the many gaping holes in the lineup which have been left as the result of last year's graduation. Gone are such notables as Mike Stromberg, Saul Berman, Lou Vega, Ron Foresta, Bruce Lipschitz, and Mel Radowitz. The team that these boys have left behind is basically smaller and less experienced. With the possible exception of Morris Weksler, this year's starting eleven has had little or no action up to this point.

Blocking and Tackling Inc.

The forward wall (vintage 1963) will be spearheaded by Howie Horowitz, Captain Al Labelson, and Captain Shelly Lederman. Rounding out the starting line are Jeff Dorsky, Billy Greenblum, and no less than 5 candidates for the starting assignments at the two end positions. The candidates are seniors Madison Brown, Ken Berger, and Alan Forst, and juniors Jerry Guber and Robert Steinhaus. The line will average about 195 lbs., thus giving away a margin of about 15 lbs. to last year's behemoths.

Tilden's offense has prospects that could make it very formidable this season. Pete Ricciardi, 6', 215 lb., halfback, and Morris Weksler, 5'8", 185 lbs., provide Tilden with possibly the strongest running game in the city.

Pete has been hailed as the second best offensive back in the school's history, and being second to Ronnie Bliey is certainly no disgrace. The "baby bull," Morris Weksler, is a pile-driving runner in the Jim Taylor style. At quarterback, 5'10", 160 lb., Capt. John Giuffrida is a gifted right-handed passer, in addition to being the fastest man on the squad.

At wingback, Senior Sidney Waxman appears to have wrestled the starting assignment away from senior Dennis Mancino, and a promising junior, Buddy Jawornik.

As the season progresses further and further, more and more pressure seems to fall on unheralded halfback Jeff Karp. Jeff, a 5'5" 150 lb. senior has performed admirably as a substitute for Pete or Morris.

Desire Is Essential

The further that one looks down the Tilden bench, the more apparent it becomes that this is not a team of superstars. The backs are big, but, they are for the most part, unproven. The line is not overpowering; there are only a handful of ballplayers present who weigh 200 lbs. or more. But, maybe it is better this way; two years ago the situation was almost the same and, for those of you who don't know, the 1961 team was the first undefeated football squad in Tilden's history.

That year, two qualities were undeniable; team effort, and complete desire to win. Last season the abilities of the players were profound; they are not nearly so this year. Therefore, once again, the keys to the gates of victory and success appear to be in the palms of effort and desire.

Hochharriers' Prospects Bright; Cross Country Mark May Topple

Tilden's cross country team, the *Hochharriers*, opened what promises to be a very successful cross country season, Saturday October 5th, with the New York University Meet at Van Cortland Park.

Led by Jan Gottlieb who ran the two and one half mile course in fourteen minutes and ten seconds, six members of the team burned up the course. They were Tom Brown, Joe Lieto, Irv Schonfeld, Mark Forman, and Gottlieb.

Gottlieb again paced the Tildenites to a fifteenth place finish in the St. John's University Meet. Jan crossed the finish line a mere two seconds shy of the school record of fourteen minutes and five seconds. Other team members who performed well were Paul Scheier, Joe Lieto, Mitch Edison, and Tom Brown.

The team has been improving with each meet. In the words of Coach Hochheiser "The team has been working hard, and the hard work is beginning to pay off."

Captains Elected

Joe Lieto and Mitch Edison were elected to the position of Cross Country Captains. Coach Hochheiser speaks highly of these boys, both as leaders and as outstanding members of the teams.

Other good prospects are Jan Gottlieb, Paul Scheier, Tom Brown, and Irv Schoenfeld. One of them may very well break Charles Gunther's cross country record of 14:05, which was set last year.

An indication of the abilities of these boys is their respective times in the September 26th Practice Meet.

Captain Joe Lieto finished the 2½ mile course in 15:03; Captain Mitch Edison did it in 16 minutes flat; Jan Gottlieb took only a scant 14:34; Paul Scheier crossed the finish line after 15:22; Tom Brown was clocked at 15:15, and Irv Schoenfeld breezed through in 15:26.

Meet Schedule

This Cross Country Season opened up with the New York University Meet Saturday October 5th, then came the St. John's University Meet October 12, the Fordham University Meet October 19, and the Brooklyn Championships October 26. The New York City Championships November 2, and, finally the Flatbush Championships on Election Day, Tuesday November 5th complete the season. At the time of this writing only the results of the first two meets are known.

Competition will be keen, especially in the last three meets. This can be attributed to the fact that in addition to all the other high schools in the city, the *Hochharriers* will also have to compete against schools from out of state.

The *Hochharriers* have many assets other than their speed and stamina. They have two capable captains in Mitch Edison and Joe Lieto, and a conscientious leader in Coach Joel Hochheiser, and the loyal support of all Tilden students.

Coach Joel Hochheiser says "This Cross Country Team is the strongest in the three years I have coached. The team is gearing for the Flatbush Championship."

Paul Lerner

Sportopics

In their first meet at Tilden October 9, the Tilden Swim Team met City Champions, Brooklyn Tech. Although they swam in a losing cause, the diving competition was taken by Hymie Dymborte and the Mermen edged Tech in the 400 yard free-style relay.

Even with the loss of ace swimmers Jonathan Glick and Norman Lovitch, Coach Sheldon Spielberg hopes to improve the 4-3 win-loss record of last year's squad. Mr. Spielberg is only the second coach of the swimming team in the 33 year history of Tilden athletics. He replaced Mr. Anthony DeFranzo who retired last year.

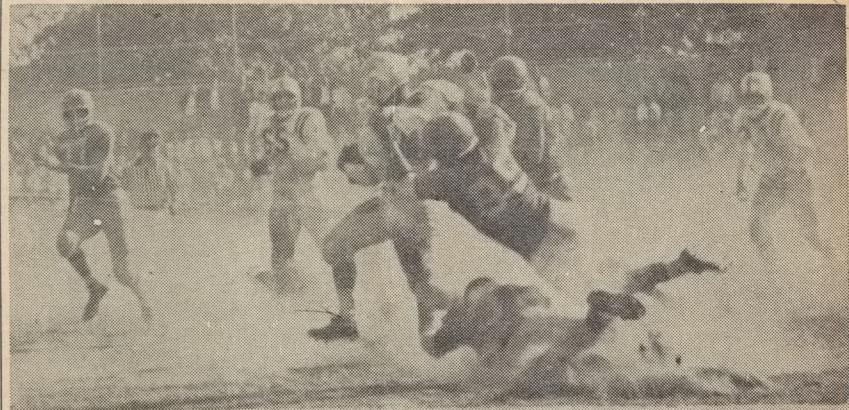
The Mermen have been working hard since February completing a total of forty-four laps apiece each day. Returning veterans are Ed Belzer, Thomas Link, Martin Ackerman, Steven Bowser, Joseph Valenti and all-city diving candidate, Hymie Dymborte. The newly-elected captains are Ed Belzer and Thomas Link.

Coach Spielberg's brainchild, the June Swimbathlon, enabled him to find the boys' specialties. How does he evaluate his squad? "The boys are inexperienced but have an earnest endeavor to do the best they can. They are really a conscientious group who are very much interested in swimming. I feel that we should do as good or better than last year."

Highlights of last year's season included the impressive victories over Hamilton, Wingate and Eastern District. Another notable accomplishment of last year was Hymie Dymborte's capturing the diving event against highly touted Brooklyn Tech. Tech had one of the nation's top swimming teams.

Coach Spielberg urges all promising aspirants to try out for the team any Monday, Wednesday or Friday after the tenth period. If anyone wishes to see the Mermen in action, they may do so by going down to the swimming pool on the day of the meet.

Devils Win Opener 32-16; Fight Utrecht to 6-6 Tie



TSK, TSK, TOO BAD; Jeff Karp is tackled after sprinting 45 yards against Erasmus only to have the play nullified by a penalty.

Led by Captain John Giuffrida, Tilden's *Blue Devils* mauled Erasmus, 32-16, Oct. 5 at the victor's home grounds. Scoring almost at will, the *Marsmen* carried a 20-0 lead into the locker room at half time.

Injuries to key halfbacks Pete Ricciardi and Morris Weksler forced Giuffrida to go to the air midway through the first period. His first pass was a 42 yard touchdown strike to Jeff Yuzuk.

Late in the second quarter, Giuffrida hit junior wingback Mike Katz with a 50 yard aerial for Tilden's second touchdown. Katz's reception was a unique one, as it occurred on his first play as a varsity member. Giuffrida capped off his fine first half by returning an Erasmus punt 65 yards for the *Blue Devils*' third touchdown.

Giuffrida Sets T.D. Record

Erasmus scored seconds after the second-half kickoff, when Robert Duggan recovered a high pass from center on an attempted punt in the Tilden end zone. Fine running by Jeff Karp and Lou Maldonado set up John Giuffrida's third touchdown pass. Mike Katz was again on the receiving end of the pigskin, the play covering 28 yards.

A poor punt by the *Marsmen* set up the *Dutchmen's* second touchdown. Fullback Bernie Buetti tallied on a five yard plunge. The fourth quarter proved to be no different for the *Blue Devils* as "Slingshot" Giuffrida threw his fourth touchdown strike. Junior halfback Leo Najman latched onto this eleven yard toss.

Tilden's hard hitting defensive line held Erasmus to a mere 50 yards offensively. Statistically, Captain John Giuffrida hit on six of seven passes for 165 yards. His four touchdown passes represent an all time *Blue Devil* record.

We Want Revenge!

Before a crowd of 3,000, the *Blue Devils* played a 6-6 tie with New Utrecht October 12.

Out to avenge last year's 2-0 defeat at the hands of the *Utes*, the

Blue Devils were "psyched up" for this important game. Visions of Lou Vega's being tackled in the Tilden end-zone, and the nullification of Ron Foresta's 100 yard touchdown run still lingered in the minds of the *Marsmen*.

Setting out to erase these memories, Tilden's defensive wall turned in an excellent first half. However, New Utrecht's line was not to be undone, and they also held the *Blue Devils*' offense scoreless. Thus, as the gun sounded ending the first half, neither team had entered the promised land.

New Utrecht drew first blood early in the third period when Nick Cappucci bolted 15 yards for the game's first score. Cappucci's run climaxed a 58 yard touchdown drive.

Weksler Plunges Over

Midway through the fourth and final quarter, Madison Brown's 40 yard punt was downed on the New Utrecht 2 yard line. The *Blue Devils* defense then held tight, and the *Utes* were forced to punt. The *Marsmen* put on a determined rush and New Utrecht's punt rolled dead on its own 29 yard line.

Morris Weksler and Lou MalDonado brought the ball down to the *Utes'* one yard line where Weksler then dived for the game tying touchdown. The score came with but three minutes remaining in the game.

Paul Nussbaum

FLASH!

Tilden kept its undefeated streak alive as it edged a surprisingly tough Madison squad 8-0 at Tilden Field October 19.

John Giuffrida climaxed a 65-yard touchdown drive for the *Marsmen* by sneaking over from the *Highwaymen's* two-yard line.

Late in the fourth quarter, Madison drove to the *Blue Devils'* one. Tilden, led by Jeff Dorsky and Jeff Karp, stopped the insurgents cold. The victory brought the *Blue Devils* up to a 2-0-1 season record.

Touchdown Talk

By Dave Glickman

Returning letterman and honor student is center Jeff Dorsky. He is six feet tall and tips the scale at 207 lbs. Jeff attributes his physique and fitness to weight lifting.

Besides his athletic endeavors, he has many diversified interests. Politics

being one of his activities, he was elected President of the G.O. Jeff's scholastic achievements have gained his entrance into Arista as well.

During the off season, he keeps in the fine physical condition that football demands by doing weight lifting and isometric exercises.

Back on the gridiron this season is Captain Shelly Lederman. Shelly, a guard, stands 5'10" and weighs 201 lbs.

He keeps in shape by weightlifting, which is one of his main hobbies.

Shelly joins Jeff Dorsky as an important figure in our student government since he was elected vice president of the G.O. Shelly's intention is to continue playing football in college.

Adding bruising power to Tilden's backfield is Morris Weksler. This senior halfback weighs 195 and stands 5'8". He keeps in the fine condition that football demands by weight lifting and doing isometrics.

He rates New Utrecht, Midwood, Jefferson, and Lincoln as the tough opponents on the rugged Tilden football schedule.

Morris' ambition is to major in psychology and to continue playing football in college. He feels the team has desire and strong potentialities. The size of the backfield will help balance the running and passing attack. This combination will help attain a successful season for Tilden.

Shelly Lederman

Although the line

is light this year,

the captain feels

the team will make

it up in speed.

He says,

"With a lot of hustle and fighting spirit, the team

can be victorious."

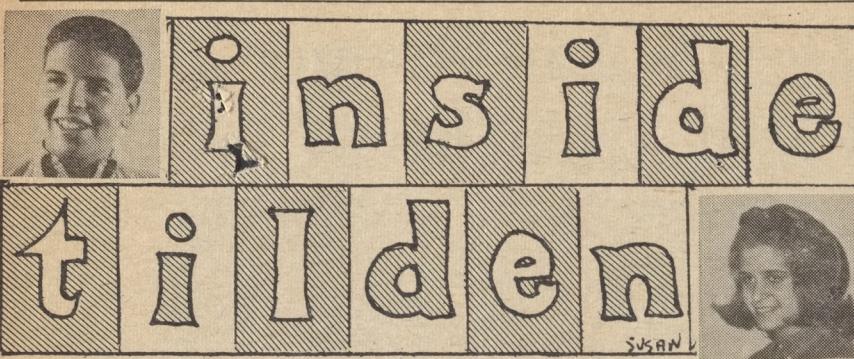
Captain Lederman

predicts a fine season for the

Blue

Devils.

These grid stars help form the nucleus of Tilden's 1963 team. Howie Horowitz was awarded the Erasmus game ball for his fine play in this encounter. The hopes of the *Blue Devils* rest heavily on the shoulders of these players. They will have to live up to their pre-season notices if the *Marsmen* are to have a successful season.



By SAM ROBERTS and BARBARA GOLDSTEIN

We are Barbara and Sam and we are here to present you with a unique and colossal term of *Inside Tilden*. Our plans for this column include the publication of several condensed novels, original essays on "I Was a Mother Who Felt Rejected When My Daughter Didn't Do the Dishes," "A Jolly Green Giant Came Out of My Washing Machine," "How to Get a Social Security Card Before October 1," and "I Didn't Drive Carefully When School Opened." In addition we will print excerpts from 1964 Regents examinations in Swahili, 2 years, General Shop, and Detention, 4 years. We hope you're looking forward to an exciting term, but since we know what's in store, we're not!

"Miniature Peace Corps"

"A miniature peace corps" in the form of a Community Service Club, has been organized by Mr. Anatole Epstein of the History Department. Formed to encourage good citizenship and democratic ideals, it will serve the school as well as the community. Among its aims are to raise funds for charitable organizations, work as hospital aides, get out the vote, and educate the community to support basic integration principles. In addition, it will help the less fortunate, assist foreign students in adjusting to their new environment, perhaps establish a student exchange program, and collect books for Mexican libraries.

And He Came From Tilden!

Donald Levit, a 1959 graduate of Tilden, is among 1500 college seniors to win the Woodrow Wilson National Fellowship Foundation Award. Majoring in English at Duke University, Durham, N. C., he was nominated from among 10,000 other college seniors. Donald graduated from Tilden third in his class of 755 with a final average of 95.5.

How Was the West Won?

Motion pictures, plays, concerts, sport activities, and sightseeing tours of the metropolitan area will be included in the program of the new Culture Club. Under the direction of Mr. Max Brodsky and Mr. David Rothstein, the organization will offer "great cultural privileges." The movie *How the West Was Won* will be one of the first activities. Tickets at \$1.00 each are still available for the showing on Saturday, November 23, at 10:30 A.M. at the Loew's Cinerama Theater.

Books, Books, and More Books

Donations by the National Defense Education Act, the Parents Association, and contributions from the English and Home Economics Departments have enabled the Tilden library to purchase new books. The money from the N.D.E.A., a government grant, was used to furnish up-to-date science, math, and language books. New science books were also purchased from the \$280 donation of the Parents Association. In memoriam of Mr. Max Poris of the English Department and Mrs. Pearl Diller of the Home Economics Department, both of whom passed away during the previous school year, funds were donated by the members of their respective departments to be used for the purchase of books in their names.

Do Re Mi

Sing leaders and choral leaders of the sophomore, junior, and senior class have been elected by their individual classes respectively. Sandra Brauzer, official class 8A, was elected senior leader, while the new choral leader is Marian Schulman, 7D. For the third time, Stuart Brink, 7R, will be the pianist for his class in Sing. This year Stuart will be playing for the seniors. Elected as leader of Junior Sing was Iris Feinstein, L51, and choral leader Harriet Seidner, L51. David Posner, 5S, is the pianist. This trio held the same positions in last year's Sophomore Sing. Estelle Levy, N3, was chosen sing leader of the sophomore class. Elected choral leader was Joan Goldfield, G3. Stephanie Aiges, J3, will serve as pianist.

With a Symphony in Their Hearts

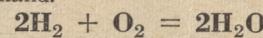
Allen Herman, 7Z, and Diane Katz, 8D, have been chosen as winners of the Lincoln Center Student Award for 1963-1964. They received tickets for six concerts of the New York Philharmonic Orchestra, and attended an orientation session at Philharmonic Hall.

The Long and Short of It

Here's a Tall Story. New officers of the Longfellows have been elected. Chosen as president is Leslie Mesh, official class 7W, while Marty Locker, 7X was elected vice-president. The offices of treasurer and secretary were filled by Larry Diamond, 7W, and Jay Cooper, 71C, respectively.

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That's not Egyptian hieroglyphics, it's shorthand! And speaking of shorthand, Dorothy Curtis, a June 1963 graduate of Tilden, placed first in the national Pitman Shorthand and Transcription contest of 1963. She received a silver cup and engraved certificate for writing 120 words per minute. In addition, the school was presented with a gold plaque. Certificates were also awarded to Lucy Schneider, Joan Nikelevic, and Nancy Lener, all 1963 graduates, for outstanding speed in shorthand.



Mr. Edward Weiss, of the Physical Sciences Department, has attended a summer institute provided by the government. Accepted to Yale, he followed a course of Advanced Physical Chemistry. Mr. Weiss feels that this course gives a teacher a better background to teach advanced courses in high school.

Failing to think of a conclusion as brilliant as our introduction, we'll just say "good-bye!"

New Teachers, Courses

(Continued from Page 1)

This term, Tilden students will be able to avail themselves of a variety of courses that have not been offered previously.

In the area of physical sciences, advanced placement chemistry is offered to those seniors who have successfully completed a year of chemistry, and who would like to get college credit for a course taken in high school. To get this credit, students must take the advanced placement examination, given annually in May. The instructor in the course is the Physical Science Department Chairman, Mr. Jacob Pasternak.

Math Course Initiated

Another advanced placement subject for which college credit is available is an American history course, taught by Mr. Abraham Venit, who is chairman of the Social Studies Department.

A tenth year course including solid geometry and algebra has been designed for students who, upon entering Tilden High School, have had a three year foundation in mathematics.

Two new commercial subjects for academic seniors are merchandising 8 and one term course in "rapid writing," which is an alphabet system of shorthand.

Beth Bird, Emily Spieler

Arista Officers Elected To Maintain Top Posts



ARISTA OFFICERS. From l. to r.: Alan Stoll, Helen Lowenthal, Susan Parker, Ira Cohen.

Tilden's Arista has elected its new officers to fulfill the positions of Girl Leader, Boy Leader, Secretary, and Treasurer. The organization is under the supervision of Mrs. Mary Bernstein of the Foreign Languages Department.

Helen Lowenthal, the new Girl Leader, was last term's Coaching Chairman. She has also been a member of the library squad, program committee, and has participated in Sing. The new Boy Leader is Ira Cohen. Ira is currently an Editor-in-training of *Tilden Topics* and a member of the Arista Bowling League. In addition, he has worked for Miss Rebecca F. Grand, Administrative Assistant in Charge-of-Guidance.

Chosen as secretary was Susan Parker. Susan is feature editor of *Tilden Topics* and has been a member of Sing. Alan Stoll is the new treasurer. Alan has been a member of the library squad and Sing. The new editor of the *Aristonian*, Arista's newspaper, is Kenneth Lane.

This term, Arista is working to enlarge its extra-curricular activities by planning a square dance and several theater parties. In addition, the acceptance average has been raised from eighty-eight per cent to ninety per cent.

Poetry, Prose, Ideas Welcomed by Yearbook

Classics, Tilden's annual yearbook, is now accepting contributions of poetry, short stories, humor, ideas, and suggestions from all seniors. This year's publication is under the advisement of Mr. Arthur Daniels of the English Department, and Mr. Irving Koster of the Fine Arts Department.

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It to Mr. Daniels in room 118 during the eighth period or place it in the yearbook mailbox. Entries for *Classics* can also be handed over to the new Editor-in-Chief, Alyce Mordoff, of official class 7W. November 29, 1963 is the deadline for any contributions.

The 1962 Yearbook took a First Place award in the Columbia Scholastic Press Association's annual competition.

The purpose of the yearbook, according to Mr. Daniels, is to give the graduates a "lasting memory of the happy years spent at Tilden."

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